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Sir:

In response to the Office Letter dated February 15, 2002, in connection with the above-identified application, attached hereto is an executed Declaration for Patent Application in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63. In addition, a credit card payment form, in the amount of \$130.00 to cover the required surcharge for filing the declaration, is also attached, in accordance with 37 CFR 1.16.

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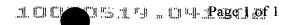
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Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- · The oath or declaration is missing. A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
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- The balance due by applicant is \$ 130.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

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• The Claim(s) commencing on a separate sheet (37 CFR 1.75(h)).

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